(*b*) if the answer is in the affirmative, when will the contract come into force?

MR. K. P. PADMANABHA MENON : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) From the date on which the agreement between the two Governments is executed.

Supply of electricity to Cochin State.

43. *MR. G. VELU PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have reached at any agreement to supply electricity to Cochin from Pallivasal;

(*b*) if so, the conditions of the agreement; and

(*c*) the date when the agreement is to take effect?

MR. K. P. PADMANABHA MENON : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The formal agreement has not yet been signed.

(*c*) In view of the answer to part (b) this does not arise.

Employees in the Transport Department.

44. *MR. P. S. MUHAMMED : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement by caste of the employees in the Transport Department in the following posts:—

(i) Ministerial :

(ii) Drivers;

(iii) Conductors; and

(iv) Peons or attenders?

MR. E. G. SALTER : The State Transport Department being a commercial concern, communal representation is not the criterion for making appointments.

Muslims in the Transport Department.

45. *MR. P. S. MUHAMMED : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing :

(*a*) the total number of employees in the Transport Department; and

(*b*) the number of Muslims among them?

MR. E. G. SALTER : (*a*) and (*b*) The State Transport Department being a commercial concern, communal representation is not the criterion for making appointments?

Members of the Varnava community in the Transport Department.

46. *MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU Will the Government be pleased to state whether any one belonging to the Varnava community holds any post at present in the Transport Department, and if so, the number of such persons and the names of the posts they hold?

MR. E. G. SALTER The State Transport Department being a commercial concern, communal representation is not the criterion for making appointments.

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MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU: ഞാൻ സമുദായപ്രാതിനിധ്യത്തെപ്പറ്റിയല്ല ചോദിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നത്. എന്റെ ചോദ്യം ഈ സമുദായത്തിൽപ്പെട്ട ആരെങ്കിലും ഈ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലുണ്ടോ എന്നാണ്.

MR. E. G. SALTER: Yes, Sir, two conductors.

Recruitment of Messrs. A. Muthanulingom Pillai and K. Thanu Pillai to the Public Service.

47. ✻MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU: Will the Government be pleased to state the communities to which Messrs. A. Muthanulingom Pillai and K. Thanu Pillai, recruited by the Public Service Commissioner from among "Other Hindus" as published in the notification in the Gazette dated 19th Thulam 1117, belong?

MR. S. N. URE:

	Name of candidate,	*Community.*
1.	A. Muthanulingom Pillai	Other Hindu (Chetty)
2.	K. Thanu Pillai	do.

MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU: അൻപതിൽപരം ന്യൂനപക്ഷ സമുദായക്കാക്ക് വച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന രണ്ട് ഒഴിവുകളിൽ ഒരേ സമുദായത്തിൽപ്പെട്ട രണ്ടുപേരെ നിയമിക്കാൻ കാരണമെന്താണെന്ന് പറയാമോ?

MR. S. N. URE: They were the seniormost candidates in the Other Hindu group in the list for the respective appointments.

Allegations against the Sub-Registrar, Alloor.

48. ✻MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR: Will the Government be pleased to state (*a*) whether (in pursuance of the statement made by the Dewan-President at the meeting of the Sri Mulam Assembly on the 13th Karkadakam 1116 in reply to the allegations made by a member of the Assembly against Mr. A. M. Chandy, the Sub-Registrar Alloor), Government have ordered a preliminary enquiry under Rule 3 of the rules dated 12th December 1896;

(*b*) whether the enquiry is over;

(*c*) the date of the enquiry;

(*d*) whether the officer who conducted the enquiry had submitted report to the Government and if so, when; and

(*e*) whether some witnesses that appeared before the officer who conducted the enquiry complained that Mr. Chandy has already spread the false news that the petition about him was dismissed?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Director of Registration*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) 13-1-1117.

(*d*) Yes; 20-3-1117.

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